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For: **AN OPTICAL DEVICE AND A METHOD
FOR AIMING AND VISUALLY
INDICATING A READING AREA**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, line 3, delete "DESCRIPTION" and insert the following heading and subheading:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention--;